

## PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 15 June 1963	2. LOCATION 14.27N 69.57E (Indian Ocean)	12. CONCLUSIONS <input type="checkbox"/> Was Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Balloon  <input type="checkbox"/> Was Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Aircraft  <input type="checkbox"/> Was Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Astronomical  <input type="checkbox"/> Other <u>UNIDENTIFIED</u> <input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Data for Evaluation <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT 15/1539Z	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ground-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Ground-Radar <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Intercept Radar	
5. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	6. SOURCE civilian	
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 3-4 minutes	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one	9. COURSE NE
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Luminous disc at 30 deg elevation bearing 325 deg true from observed. Descended traveling in an Easterly direction for duration of 3-4 min. Appeared to be moving faster than ECHO. Gave appearance of being a bright light behind a cloud. Passed through area without clouds and appearance did not change. ECHO observed 30 min later.	11. COMMENTS UNIDENTIFIED.	

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

*Received*  
*BSK*  
**Memorandum**

TO : J. S. Lacey, OPI  
NASA Greenbelt

FROM : Head, Nautical Information Branch  
U.S. Naval Oceanographic Office

SUBJECT: Possible satellite sighting

Encl: (1) Copy of ltr. dtd 19 Jun 63 from Mr. [REDACTED]

Code 5511:OLM  
DATE: 8 July 1963

1. Enclosure (1) is forwarded for your information.

"Forwarded as a matter pertaining  
to your organization. Your attention  
to this matter will be appreciated.

*B. S. Kuta*  
B. S. KUTA

*Ed Martin*  
Ed Martin  
Public Information Officer  
Goddard Space Flight Center

[REDACTED]  
New York City, 4, 1963

Riyad, Saudi Arabia  
June 13th, 1963

Department Of The Navy  
U. S. Navy Hydrographic Office  
Washington, D. C.

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Sir:

I wish to inform you of an unusual and unexplained sighting observed this vessel a few days past.

On June 13th at 1500 GMT this vessel was in the following position. Latitude 36° 14.2' N, Longitude 0° 57' E. The state of the weather was as follows: Barometer 29.75 Inches, Temp-Air 64F, Sea 87F, Few scattered clouds, wind out of the West-North-West at 15-20 Knots. Good visibility.

At 151239GMT a luminous disk was observed at an altitude of approximately 30 Degrees bearing about 325 Degrees true from the observer. It was descending traveling in an E-southerly direction and was in sight for about three to four minutes from the time of the first sighting. When first seen it was close below Dubhe and passed aliose West of Polaris disappearing beyond the horizon al oot directly below Polaris. It was difficult to estimate the height but appeared to be very high. It appeared to be traveling a little faster than the U. S. Satellite "Echo", perhaps half again as fast. It gave the appearance of a bright light behind a cloud with no clear outline, and left no trail. It was thought at first it was "Echo" behind a light filament of cloud. However it was observed to be passing through an area with no clouds but never changing its first appearance. About 30 minutes after it passed "Echo" passed over and disappeared in nearly the same location. Three men were on the bridge at the time making the observations and all are in agreement on the above details. Accompanying this letter is a diagram showing the approximate paths of travel of the unidentified flying object and also of "Echo". Hoping this may be of help to you I am in closing,

Very Truly Yours,

[REDACTED] 3rd Mate  
S/S Thetis  
R. W. Higginson, Master

This case includes one (1) photocopied  
page of narrative.

AFSA MAJOR

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FIRST SIGHTING  
151539 GHT

X - - - - PATH OF "ECHO" - - - - -  
AT ABOUT 151610 ENT - 151620 GHT - - - - -  
UNIDENTIFIED OBJECT

POLARIS

OUTSIDE RIMS OF THE LUMINOUS AREA WERE  
ABOUT EQUAL TO AREA OF MOON OR PERHAPS  
SLIGHTLY SMALLER

SEA HORIZON

BONE  
AT  
151543  
GHT

upper horizon

80° N 120° E

first sighting  
151539 GMT

path of "echo"  
at about 131010 GMT - 151020 GMT

OUTSIDE RIMS OF THE LUMINOUS AREA WERE  
ABOUT EQUAL TO AREA OF EYES OR PERHAPS  
SLIGHTLY SMALLER

SER 140120W

80° N  
121543  
GMT

[REDACTED]

Department of Defense  
U. S. Army  
Washington, D. C.

Dear:

I wish to thank you for your

kindness in giving me the information concerning the flying object seen at 19:10 Kestor.

At 1910 yesterday night a dark was observed at an altitude of about 3000 feet in direct bearing SSW 325 degrees from Kestor. It was about 6000 feet away from the bridge. It was in sight for about one minute longer than the time of the first sighting. It was seen in the clouds below Kestor and could have been a meteorite. It was beyond the horizon all the time it was observed. It was difficult to see the details but it was observed to be very bright. It seemed to be revolving a little faster than the sun or moon like "Meteo", perhaps twice as fast. It was seen a number of a bright light behind a cloud which was moving, and left no train. It was seen at its first in the "Andes" behind a light filament of cloud. However it was observed to be a very bright an even with no clouds but never clear enough to appear solid. About 50 minutes after the "Meteo" passed over and disappeared in nearly a minute's time. Three men were on the bridge at the time during the observation and all are in agreement on the above details. As far as I am aware this letter is a copy of yours. To approximate paths of travel of the unidentified flying object and name of "Meteo". Having this may be of help to you I am in closing,

Very truly Yours,

[REDACTED]  
S/Sgt [REDACTED]  
A. H. Johnson, Kestor

WISA MAJOR

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FIRST SIGHTING  
151539 GHT

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AT ABOUT 151610 GHT - 151620 GHT - - - - POKRIS

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